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MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

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Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is the nonprovisional patent application

For (Title):

INK-JET HEAD, FILTER ASSEMBLY USED FOR MANUFACTURING THE INK-JET

HEAD, AND METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING THE INK-JET HEAD USING THE

FILTER ASSEMBLY

By (Inventors):

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| \boxtimes | Formal drawings (Figs. 1-12; 13 sheets) are attached. |
| | Use Figure for front page of Publication. |
| | A Declaration and Power of Attorney is filed herewith. |
| \exists | This application claims benefit of Provisional Application No filed |
| | (A Preliminary Amendment is attached to reflect this claim in the Specification if not already present.) |
| \boxtimes | This patent application is assigned to <u>BROTHER KOGYO KABUSHIKI KAISHA</u> . |
| | The executed Assignment is filed herewith. |
| | An Information Disclosure Statement is filed herewith. |
| | Entitlement to small entity status is hereby asserted. |
| | A Preliminary Amendment is filed herewith. |
| | Priority of foreign applications No. 2002-278766 filed September 25, 2002 in JAPAN, No. 2002-279006 filed |
| _ | September 25, 2002 in JAPAN and No. 2002-279108 filed September 25, 2002 in JAPAN are claimed (35 U.S.C. §119). |
| | A certified copy of the above corresponding foreign applications are filed herewith. |
| | This application is NOT to be published under 35 U.S.C. 112(b). The undersigned attorney or agent hereby certifies that |
| | the invention disclosed in this application has not been and will not be the subject of an application filed in anothe |
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| BASIC FEE | 122 | | |
| TOTAL CLAIMS | 28 - 20 | = 8 | |
| INDEP CLAIMS | 3 - 3 | = 0 | |
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| SMALL ENTITY | | | | |
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| RATE | FEE | <u>OR</u> | | |
| | \$ 375 | <u>OR</u> | | |
| x 9= | \$ | <u>OR</u> | | |
| x 42 = | \$ | <u>OR</u> | | |
| + 140 = | \$ | <u>OR</u> | | |
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| RATE | FEE |
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| A.15 | \$ 750 |
| x 18 | \$ 144 |
| x 84 | \$ |
| + 280 | \$ |
| TOTAL | \$ 894 |

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